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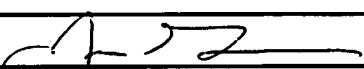
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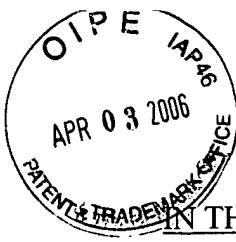
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**RESPONSE TO MARCH 16, 2006, OFFICE ACTION**

SIR:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 16, 2006.

The March 16, 2006, Office Action requires restriction between claims 1–12, 16–24, 27–36, 42, 44, and 46–55 (Group I) and claims 13–15, 25–26, 37–41, 43, and 45 (Group II). Applicant elects, with partial traverse, the Group I claims (1–12, 16–24, 27–36, 42, 44, and 46–55), and reserves the right to pursue the Group II claims (13–15, 25–26, 37–41, 43, and 45 claims) and all of the subject matter related thereto in one or more continuing applications.

The Examiner characterized the Group I claims as being drawn to database query processing. Claim 13, placed with the Group II claims, claims a system for providing an automated legal current awareness service, comprising programming that causes at least one computer to provide a plurality of different types of legal information relating to a common legal topic to a computer device, display the information simultaneously in different parts of a display, and automatically update at least one of the plurality of types of displayed legal information

while the plurality of types of legal information are simultaneously displayed. It is submitted that, at least because claim 13 provides for automatically updating displayed information, claim 13 should be grouped with the Group I claims.

Similarly, claim 37 claims a method for simultaneously providing a plurality of different types of legal information relating to a common legal topic comprising displaying a plurality of different types of legal information and automatically updating at least one of the plurality of types of displayed legal information while the plurality of types of legal information are simultaneously displayed. It is submitted that, at least because claim 37 provides for automatically updating displayed information, claim 37 also should be grouped with the Group I claims.

The same considerations also apply equally to claim 43.

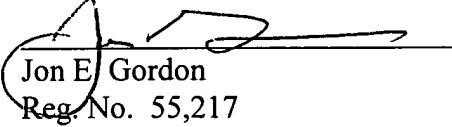
Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the restriction requirement be reconsidered and modified to include claims 13–15, 37–41, and 43 in Group I, and that examination on the merits proceed on claims 1–24, 27–44, and 46–55.

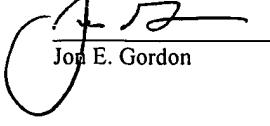
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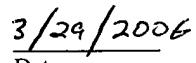
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